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The Easter Holidays

There will be no publication of either the China Mail or the Hongkong Telegraph tomorrow (Good Friday).

The South China Morning Post will publish tomorrow, but not on Saturday morning.

The China Mail will publish as usual on Saturday, and will also come out on an early edition on Easter Monday. There will be no Hongkong Telegraph next Monday.

The Sunday Post-Herald will publish as usual.

Red Plot For Pakistan Dictatorship

Karachi, Mar. 21. Premier Liaquat Ali Khan told Parliament in Wednesday the arrest of high-ranking officials early this month thwarted a plot to establish a dictatorship in Pakistan on the Communist pattern.

The conspirators planned later to bring in missions from "certain foreign countries" to aid in establishing a Communist model state, the Premier said, planned to use force to liquidate Pakistan's government leaders, and to enlist the support of Communist revolutionary elements here to achieve their aims.

The Premier made the statement in answer to questions put to him by Parliament members concerning the arrest of Maj. Gen. Akhtar Khan, Army Chief of Staff, and others. The Premier said the ringleader, he identified Brig. Gen. M. A. Latif, a Brigade commander at Quetta, as Akhtar Khan's chief lieutenant. Also under arrest are Akhtar Khan's wife and several others.

"Apart from these few military officers, civilians also were involved in the conspiracy," said the Premier. "All the other officers and the rank and file of the armed forces were totally ignorant of the plot."—Associated Press.

La Prensa's Editor Gaoled

Buenos Aires, Mar. 21. Alberto Ginzza Paz, editor and publisher of the newspaper La Prensa, was ordered gaoled on Wednesday night for 15 days for contempt of the Argentine Congress.

Earlier, Ginzza Paz had accused the Congress of violating Argentina's Constitution by ordering a joint committee to seize control of the newspaper, which frequently has been critical of President Juan Peron's government.—Associated Press.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Time For A Reduction

THE Financial Secretary's disarming tone and tenor of yesterday's speeches by the Unofficials, and criticism was, in consequence, somewhat tentative. Some good points were made, however. The Hon. C. E. Terry, for example, corrected a widespread false impression that we in Hongkong depend entirely on the British taxpayer to finance our defence budget and he was able to show, by comparative figures, that actually the Colony sets aside for defence and security a greater percentage of its annual expenditure than does the Imperial Government—a sobering as well as illuminating disclosure, and one which deserves wide publicity in Britain. Mr Terry also made one suggestion at which, we imagine, Government will look with considerable askance. He proposes use of the Equalisation Fund to subsidise a Government campaign to force down commodity price levels by the adoption of a "planned loss" policy. Mr Terry's argument—and it possesses some force—is that Government usually acts too late and too timidly in trying to rescue the community from the machinations of speculators and manipulators and that more determined action, backed by an adequate monetary outlay, would be much more likely to achieve desired results. Many will feel in sympathy with Mr Terry's proposition, especially, as he points out, it has the merit of applying the people's money to the people's greatest need. Moreover, it can be added, the campaign would not have to be financed from general revenue. The Hon. S. N. Chau took upon himself the responsibility for urging a reduction in the standard rate of taxation on earnings and profits from 12½ per cent to the original 10 per cent. He based this demand firstly on the reminder that when the increase was approved last year it was on the understanding that it would be cancelled as soon as the financial condition of the Colony justified it, and secondly on the fact that the new Estimates show a surplus of income over expenditure. Dr Chau obviously considers that the financial condition of the Colony is such to justify some relief in direct taxation and with this view taxpayers will heartily concur. When we protested last year against the proposal to increase the rate of taxation, which the Financial Secretary then argued was necessary to make good an estimated deficit, we observed: "If, when next March arrives it is found that the estimated deficit has converted itself into a \$20 million or more surplus, will Government immediately reduce direct taxation? If it is not prepared to do so, it will stand convicted of raising taxation for the sheer sake of adding more burdens to particular sections of the community." The facts are now well known. The estimated deficit has become a surplus of more than \$70 million, and there is an accumulated revenue balance equal to one year's estimated revenue—the original target set by the Financial Secretary. This state of affairs gives the necessary support to Dr Chau's contention that the time is proper for a reduction in direct taxation, and we think Government should acknowledge it and amend the standard rate accordingly.

US Senator Coming Here To Probe "Sales To Red China"

Senator Warren G. Magnuson, a member of the US Senate's Interstate Foreign Commerce Committee, is coming to Hongkong to "look into the reported sales of strategic materials to Red China in Hongkong," according to an Associated Press message received this morning from Washington.

The report added that the length of Senator Magnuson's stay in the Colony "will depend on developments."

Senator Magnuson is also making a trip to Japan and Korea and in preparation for this, says the report, he discussed conditions in Japan with Mr John Foster Dulles on Wednesday.

Senator Magnuson plans to leave Washington by plane next Monday for San Francisco, en route to Anchorage, where he takes off on April 4 for Japan. He expects to be in Japan for about a week, dividing his time between Tokyo and Yokohama, and he will spend two or three days in Korea.

Mr Magnuson is especially interested in agreements regulating the Japanese merchant marine and fisheries. These pacts are to supplement the peace treaty which Ambassador Dulles is handling. Mr Magnuson holds that the Japanese merchant marine should conform with the economic growth of that nation, and that Japanese fishermen should be shut out of North Pacific waters. His position is that they should develop new fishing grounds south of Japan among the mandated islands. Mr Magnuson will accompany Senator Magnuson to Korea, where he wants to study the rehabilitation needs of shipping and industry, and form an estimate of the damage to harbour and wharves.—Associated Press.

PRINCESS MAY VISIT POPE

London, Mar. 21. A Buckingham Palace spokesman told Reuters today it was "quite likely but not definite" that Princess Elizabeth would visit the Pope during her visit to Rome next month.

Such a visit would be a courtesy call and informal, the spokesman added. Princess Margaret was criticised by the Free Church of Scotland Presbytery in Edinburgh for visiting the Pope during her holiday in Italy two years ago.

The Rev. Donald MacKenzie said, "I think I speak for you when I say we deprecate and deplore visits to the Vatican by those in high places."—Reuters.

Iranian Oil Dispute

Britain Considering Action

London, Mar. 21. Britain is considering various "forms of action" to stop Iran from nationalising British oil interests.

Foreign Secretary Herbert Morrison disclosed this on Wednesday, but declined in the House of Commons to detail the actions. Legislators called on the government not to tolerate any illegal actions by Iran. Britain protested to Iran on March 14.

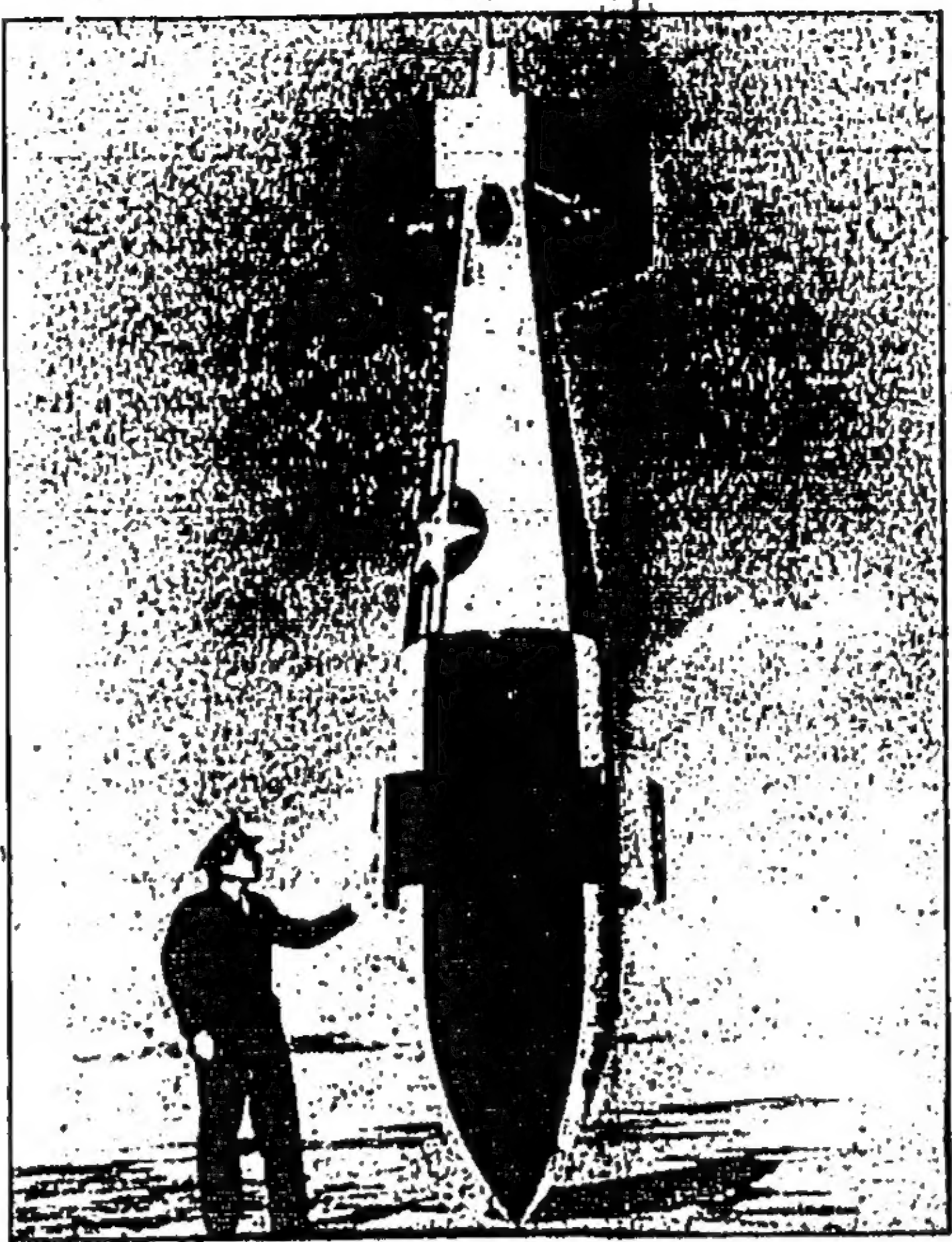
If Iran refuses to compromise, government sources said, Britain could appeal to the United Nations. She could move troops from Iraq if Iranian authorities used force to take over British properties. The British government is "in principle" for the nationalisation of the country's oil resources. The matter is scheduled to come before the Majlis for action in about two months.

Mr Morrison said Britain is in contact with the United States, France, and other interested countries on the question.—Associated Press.

GI SLAIN IN AN AMUSEMENT PARK

Tokyo, Mar. 22. The police arrested 45 Koreans believed to have been involved in an assault upon American GIs in Asakusa amusement district in the early morning hours on Wednesday, in which one GI was killed and two others injured. The incident was believed to have been touched off by North Korean sympathisers. Wednesday was the first anniversary of the day the police seized the office of the outlawed Korean League.—United Press.

The Tarzan Bomb



The US Far East Air Force, it was recently disclosed, has been using radio-controlled Tarzan bombs on Korean targets since last August. Here, Sergt. Craig of the New York National Guard base at Niagara Falls, stands beside one of the 27-foot, six-ton missiles. The Tarzan bomb is directed toward its target by the bombardier using radio signals which are picked up by a receiver in the bomb itself.—AP Picture.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS OUTRAGE

1,000 Troops Search For Huk Killers

Manila, Mar. 22. It was estimated that 1,000 government troops were scouring the Antipolo area of Rizal Province near here today in search of some 60 Huk who raided a dairy farm last night, killing the owners, Mr and Mrs John Hardie, and the Australian farm manager, Donald Capuano.

Punitive operations went into full swing as Army investigators looked into the possibility that the Hardies were killed in reprisal for the arrest last week of a Huk supply officer in the Antipolo area. The Huk were believed to have suspected that a tip was given to the authorities by the farm owners.

The incident has caused much concern among the highest Philippine and American officials. The United States Embassy last night urged Americans residing in remote or isolated areas of the Philippines to take every possible precaution against possible attacks by Huk. The Embassy said that, "while no reason is seen for great alarm, Americans were urged to take precautions until the present campaign for enforcement of law and order reached maximum effect."

The Embassy said that as a result of "strong representations" made by the Ambassador, Mr Myron Cowen, assurances had been given by the Philippine Government that every possible effort would be made to track down the killers.

CONTACT MADE
President Quirino, who is spending the holidays with his Cabinet in Baguio, ordered the Defence Secretary, Mr Ramon Maguiness, to return to Manila to direct efforts to capture the Huk killers. Mr Maguiness arrived at the Hardie farm at about 4:30 p.m. yesterday and immediately took over personal command of the punitive forces. Press reports on the progress of the operations stated that government artillery made contact with the Huk and began shelling their positions on the Sierra Madre mountains at 2 a.m. today. They said the government forces were firing out in all directions from Antipolo in an effort to surround and capture the Huk.

Earlier it had been reported that part of the Huk group was attacked by troops on Wednesday about two hours' march from the Hardie farm but the Huk succeeded in eluding government fire. However, six huts reportedly were burned down and a typewriter taken from the Hardie farm was recovered.

The Army belief that the Huk motive in attacking the farm and killing the owners was revenge, appeared to have been based on statements made by some 30 farm personnel, who were questioned at length yesterday. The investigators learned that the attack closely followed the arrest only five days ago of Anastacio Directo, Huk supply officer in the area near the farm. Directo had been employed as a worker on the Hardie farm

Shocking Convent Tragedy

Milan, Mar. 21.

Thirteen girls aged three to eleven were killed and 28 others including one mother gravely injured when a courtyard wall of the school of the Sisters of Mercy collapsed here at the lunch recess today.

The victims had just been dismissed after the morning session and were taking shelter against the wall from violent gusts of wind, when it toppled on them.

Rescuers pulled 20 girls from the debris alive, 17 of whom were badly injured.

Mothers and other members of the children's families were identified eye-witnesses to the tragedy. They were waiting for the children at the school gate. Some mothers were able to snatch their daughters a split second before the wall crashed. The brick wall was rebuilt only two months ago after it collapsed previously.—United Press.

South Korea Liberated

CROSSING OF 38TH NOW THE BIG QUESTION

(FROM EDWARD HEWAT)

8th Army H.Q. Mar. 21. Mao Tse-tung's Chinese Army has as good as abandoned South Korea. His aim to drive the United Nations forces into the sea—an aim so nearly fulfilled two months ago—has ended in defeat.

Tonight South Korea is a liberated country.

But the most important question is still not answered. Will the United Nations forces cross the 38th Parallel and carry the fight for the second time into the Communists' territory?

The answer cannot be more than a few hours away. For at any moment our troops could make one strong push and they would be over the line.

Reports for the last three days have shown less and less effort by the Chinese to hold line south of the Parallel. They have given up ideal mountain positions without a fight. They have left dumps of food and ammunition.

And today showed their weakest efforts of all. They abandoned their last South Korea stronghold—the vital cross-roads town of Chunchon—without a battle.

Troops at the front report tonight that the Chinese have withdrawn out of touch in most places. At spots where contact was made the enemy numbered only a few hundred token defence forces, many of them North Koreans.

Our pilots report less and less activity on the Chinese supply roads. And today they reported that most of the lorries were rolling northwards.

The official 8th Army statement—already hours old when it was released this afternoon—said our troops were holding strongly one position less than nine miles from the Parallel and three others within 13 miles.

And there is no evidence of any strong enemy between those positions and the Parallel. Those dividing miles are there for the taking.

CHUNCHON FALLS

Tokyo, Mar. 22. The great Chinese Red base of Chunchon—where the enemy was expected to stand if he intended to stay in South Korea—fell without a fight to US forces on Wednesday.

Enemy forces that abandoned the city of rubble apparently were pulling back beyond the 38th Parallel only eight miles north.

Chunchon, seized by US troops and tanks, was a much greater prize of war than Seoul, the liberated old Korean capital 45 miles to the southwest. It not only was a good massing point, but its roads and rails were avenues of conquest into Central Korea and to Seoul itself.

The enemy also was pulling back on the eastern front, where Republic of Korea troops already ready to have reached Parallel 38, the old political dividing line between the Red North and the Republic of South Korea.

In the West, however, the enemy still was strongly entrenched north of Seoul and to the east of the capital.

AP Correspondent Jim Becker reported two divisions of the fresh Chinese Communist Third Field Army were tentatively identified in front positions east of Seoul.

An Allied armoured patrol fighting north on the road from Seoul to Uijongbu met fierce Red resistance. Uijongbu is 12 miles north of Seoul.

Becker said the 77th and 78th divisions of the Chinese 26th Army (Corps) now are believed in front of United Nations troops, with the 78th division in reserve. They are part of the Chinese Third Field Army, idle since the Allied evacuation of Huoguan in northeast Korea in December. The 24th Chinese Army (Corps), also part of the Third Field Army, was believed in the same area.

The shifting of these 60,000 fresh troops into the west raised conjecture that the enemy might be planning a counter-attack.

Allied officers also thought the "third" might replace Red China's battered Fourth Field Army all along the front.—Associated Press.

Reds Hold Jardine's Employee

Alleged Spy Ring Rounded Up

The Hongkong office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson has received no direct information that one of the Tientsin office employees has been arrested by the Chinese Communist authorities and charged with espionage.

The report that a group of 21 people, including Europeans, had been rounded up by the Communist authorities as representing a spy ring was released early this morning by Peking Radio.

One of the arrested men is alleged to be Heinrich Lipphardt, described as a "sales manager of the Import Department of Jardine, Matheson and Co., in Tientsin."

Other Europeans arrested and said by Peking Radio to be implicated in espionage on behalf of the United States are E. T. Percu, 31-year-old White Russian, Boris N. Koltun, 44, stateless; Herta Rothkell, 40, German; Wilhelm Dunning and Mrs Dunning.

A Japanese, identified as Hainichi Furutani, said to have been a former Colonel in the Japanese army, was also arrested, together with a dozen Chinese.

The charges against the alleged agents are that "they gathered military, political, economic and cultural information on China, organised assassinations and spied on the Soviet Union and Korea."

Ready To Swoop On Spies

Washington, Mar. 21. The chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Representative Clarence Cannon, said today that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was prepared to arrest 4,500 spies in the United States within one hour after any general war started.

Mr Cannon said the spies were being watched but were allowed to remain at large now so officials could see with whom they were associating. He told the House "it is no secret that the FBI is prepared to arrest within an hour after war starts 4,500 persons—spies of foreign nations—who are at large in this country, with whose identities we are familiar and who are being watched."—United Press.



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CLAIMS AGAINST JAPAN

Philippines' Demand To Be Pressed

Washington, Mar. 21. — The Philippine Foreign Secretary, Mr. Carlos P. Romulo, today served notice on the United States that his country refuses to abandon its claims to further reparations from Japan.

For his Government to go along with the U.S. demands for an end to reparations might mean a revolution at home, Mr. Romulo hinted in a letter to the United States Ambassador, John Foster Dulles.

Mr. Romulo personally delivered the 1,000-word informal policy declaration at the State Department.

He said the Philippines might be willing to defer its reparations claims or settle for some other type of compensation. But the "Philippine claim" will subsist until it is satisfied.

Mr. Romulo said Mr. Dulles' recent radio report to the American people on Japanese peace treaty prospects and reparations in particular produced "universal dismay in the Philippines." In support of this, he submitted Manila newspaper clippings.

In the last of a 10-point summary of the Philippine Government position on reparations, Mr. Romulo said, "While the Philippine Government may be persuaded to defer its claims or advance new proposals for satisfaction, it cannot consent to the withdrawal of the claim itself."

"As regards Japan's participation in a collective security arrangement for a Pacific pact, the Philippine claim to reparations will subsist until it is satisfied, or until some arrangement can be made in a manner and degree satisfactory to the Philippines."

INDEFENSIBLE RIGHT

He asked Mr. Dulles to use his influence to the end that the reparations question "be left open" pending some Philippine compromise proposal.

He said, "The Philippine cannot, even if it wished, entertain any proposal to forego all reparations without risking a major upheaval in Philippine public opinion."

Other points made by Mr. Romulo in his summary of the Philippine stand include: 1. "The Philippine claim to reparations is an indefensible right of sovereignty and may not be altered or withdrawn without the consent of the Philippine Government."

2. "The Potsdam Declaration affirmed the justice and necessity of exacting reparations from Japan." — United Press.

Dutch Planters Murdered

Djakarta, Mar. 21. — Terrorists killed two Dutch planters in West Java on Monday but allowed their wives to go free, the Aneta news agency reported today.

They forced the two planters to leave their car and follow them to their "headquarters." The women, left behind unharmed, escaped from the car.

Indonesian Army patrols later found one planter dead. The other, who was wounded, died shortly after. — Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle

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13 Flower.
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19 Wound.
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23 Small crowns.
25 Fluff.
27 Debars temporarily.

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1 Cut short.
2 Material.
4 Pudding ingredient.
5 Departed.
6 Teacher.
7 Pops.
9 Burning.
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12 Lifeless.
14 Perfect.
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17 Drugs.
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Gromyko Monopolises "Big Four" Talks And Sets A Record

Paris, Mar. 21. — The "Big Four" Foreign Ministers' deputies failed again to go forward with their efforts to draft an agenda for a Foreign Ministers' conference.

There was no progress at today's fifteenth meeting nor were any new proposals or amendments tabled, a British spokesman said.

Mr. Andrei Gromyko (Russia) set a new conference record by speaking for two hours and 10 minutes including translation time.

Mr. Gromyko challenged the Western contention that acceptance of the Soviet proposals on German demilitarisation and reduction of armaments would mean taking decisions on the substance of these questions.

Such suggestions were being used simply to mislead public opinion, he contended.

M. Alexandre Parodi (France) said that yesterday's Soviet redraft of the third item of their agenda was in Paris similar to the Western proposal and asked for Soviet reply to the following points:

(1) Did the Soviet delegation still insist on their first item dealing with the Potsdam Agreement and on this being treated separately?

(2) Why was the general level of armaments still ignored in the Soviet agenda? It was inconsistent to talk of the reduction of armaments without referring to the level of armaments. It was like trying to do a subtraction exercise in arithmetic without mentioning the first figure of the sum. He took it that the Soviet Union was still insisting that reduction of armaments should be confined to the "Big Four."

(3) What agreements had the Soviet Government have in mind when they talked of the fulfilment of treaty obligations?

AS FAR APART

Mr. Ernest Davies (Britain) said that the deputies were still as far apart as they had been at the start of the conference.

He said that a first study of yesterday's Soviet proposal did not lead him to believe that it would serve as a basis for agreement between them. His preliminary view was that the Soviet redraft, which made "unessential concessions" did not make any material change.

The Western deputies had tried to make it clear beyond all doubt that the question of the existing level of armaments was an essential point, Mr. Davies said.

He found it impossible to believe that Mr. Gromyko really thought he had tried to meet the Western Powers' objections.

The British deputy also stressed the impossibility of discussing a reduction of armaments without taking into account their existing level.

GROMYKO CHALLENGE

Mr. Gromyko challenged the remark made by Dr. Philip Jessup (America) that adoption of the Soviet agenda would amount to an intermediary agreement in which the policies of the Western Powers would be condemned. It was nothing of the kind, Mr. Gromyko said.

The Soviet agenda was aimed at the fulfilment of the Potsdam Agreement and the reduction of the armed forces of the Four Powers.

Dr. Jessup's allegations were mere speculation "at odds with the truth."

The Western Powers need not look for more nor less in

the Soviet agenda, Mr. Gromyko continued. Dr. Jessup wished to complicate matters by introducing his interpretations. The Soviet delegation had now included all the main Western proposals in its agenda.

The Soviet Government had pointed out in a note to Britain that its armed forces were now what they had been in 1939 whereas the West had 5,000,000 men under arms and was still further increasing its armed forces.

SOVIET ARGUMENT

Mr. Gromyko claimed that the Western deputies were objecting to the Russian proposals on the reduction of armaments because they had "quite different plans for Germany." Everyone knew that peace in Europe depended on a reduction of the armed forces of the four Big Powers.

Mr. Gromyko again insisted that the Russian draft item on the Potsdam Agreement and the demilitarisation of Germany should appear as a separate item.

A Western spokesman said that this was the "worst meeting yet" and that Gromyko did not add a single new argument to what he had said yesterday. This spokesman added.

The deputies are meeting again tomorrow and on Saturday and will then adjourn until Tuesday, according to usually reliable sources.—Reuter.

BRITAIN TO CLOSE SIX CONSULAR DISTRICTS

London, Mar. 21. — Britain is to close six of her consulates in China, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, told the House of Commons today.

The decision was taken because of the reduced number of British subjects and interests in the consular districts concerned, he said.

The closed posts are at Chungking, Kiating, Hankow, Nanking, Tsingtao and Amoy.

Mr. Morrison said that there had also been serious administrative difficulties in maintaining and staffing these posts. The protection of British interests in these districts would be transferred to other posts.

There was "no intention of closing consular posts in districts with substantial British interests," he added.

Today's decision leaves only four British consulates in China, those in Shanghai, Tientsin, Canton and Peking, which is also the seat of the Embassy.

Consulates in Harbin, Dairen, Mukden, Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin have already been closed. The four remaining consulates will now divide between them the responsibility for the care of British interests in the whole of China.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that there were now fewer than 2,000 British subjects in China, of whom some 700 are in Shanghai.—Reuter.

Master Lock Stolen

London, Mar. 21. — Someone has stolen a master lock of the British Museum in Central London, possession of which would give access to priceless national treasures, it was revealed here today.

Officials, fearing a planned raid on the Museum, immediately ordered all exterior locks in the building to be changed.

Anyone possessing the master lock could make a key from its impression to open the other outer doors. A new set of outside locks and keys will cost £500.

It would be almost impossible to work out the total value of the contents of the Museum for most of the items are priceless and irreplaceable.

Only one robbery has recorded at the Museum in its 200-year history. Two 1,000-year-old coffins and some burial relics were stolen from the Roman Collection last November.—Reuter.

Britain's Korea Casualties

London, Mar. 21. — It was announced today that Britain has suffered 980 casualties in the Korean war.

The Defence Minister, Mr. Shinwell, told the Commons that 20 persons were killed, 35 wounded and three missing since February 26. The total then was 982. — United Press.

GENERAL ELECTION WARNING

London, Mar. 21. — Socialists are warned of the possibility of an early general election in the annual report of the London Labour Party, issued today.

The Executive Committee of which the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the chief Labour strategist, is a member—in a resolution for the annual Conference on March 31, states:

"This conference reminds the whole Labour movement of London that, apart from the possibility of an early Parliamentary general election, the triennial election for the London County Council and the Middlesex County Council will occur in a year's time."

Urging systematic preparations for these local elections, the resolution says that socialism's opponents will make immense efforts to end Labour's rule on the London County Council (now held by a Labour majority) and to perpetuate Conservative domination over Middlesex.

The annual report, which is signed by Mr. Morrison, says: "Whether or not a Parliamentary election has taken place before the London County Council elections, it is beyond question that the next contest for control of the Council will be one of the most bitterly fought in the history of the County of London." — Reuter.

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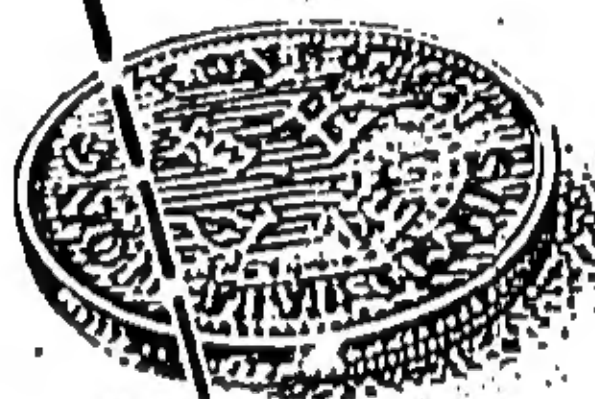


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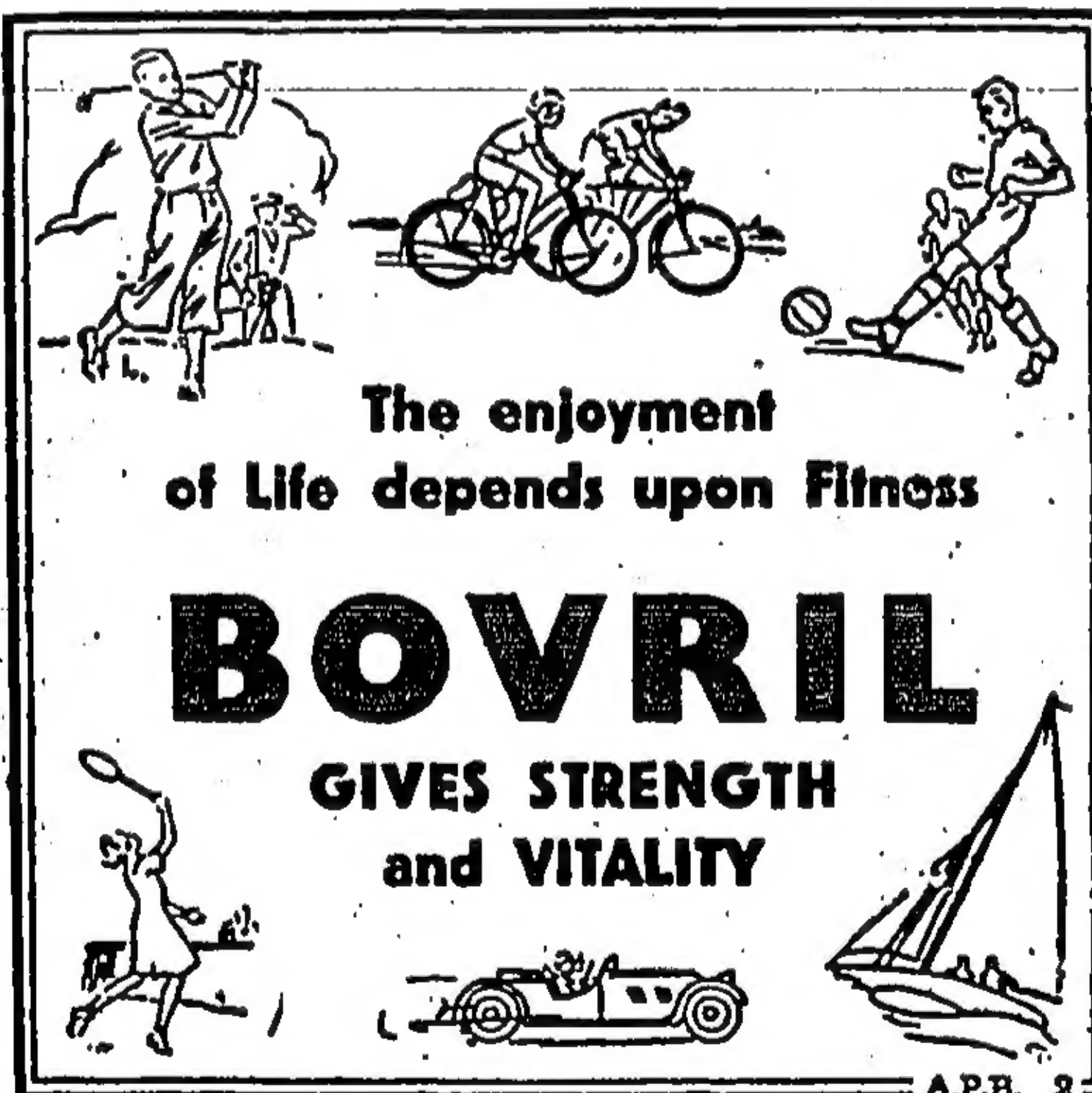
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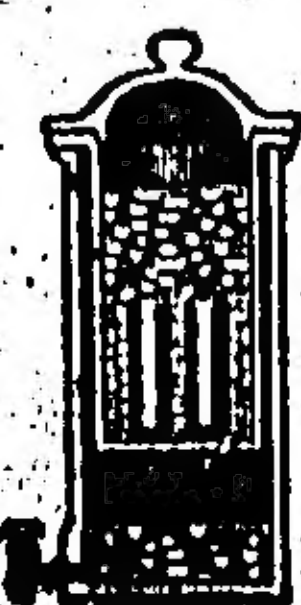
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America would welcome Mr Morrison

NEW YORK

DON IDDON'S DIARY

TUESDAY

WHEN is Mr Herbert Morrison coming to America? British and American officials say soon. I hope so. The sooner the better.

Mr Morrison is the great unknown here, and our friends would like to get acquainted. A fresh mind on foreign policy would be welcome.

The present war aims or peace plans in Korea of "killing Chinese" do not seem very comprehensive. Myself, I do not think "killing Chinese" the ultimate in policy for the Western Powers.

My American secretary is not at all satisfied with it, and all the men on all the Main-streets believe they stand for something better. "Killing Chinese" is not a cause or a crusade. It is merely genocide — all right for the generals, perhaps, but hardly worthy of the statesman.

With more ideas

HOW many Chinese do we propose to kill? There are 500,000,000 of them, so the present publicised "Operation Killer" could take a long time.

Perhaps Mr Morrison can answer the persistent American questions and give some guidance. He looks like a man with more ideas than just "killing Chinese."

Maybe he can try to halt the slaughter. If he half-succeeds the American public will embrace him and he can preside over the New York City Council any time.

Because here the people are weary of the continuing murder. They want the Korean killing stopped.

Feeling for peace

THIS is the time for a full-scale peace effort, and if the drowsing delegates at Lake Success cannot stir themselves Mr Morrison had better try.

The home front is giving particular attention to peace as the casualty lists mount and the taxes soar. It is income-tax payment week here, with the deadline Thursday. American taxes today are the heaviest in history, taking 25 percent of every dollar earned.

All week the reluctant citizens have tolled over the internal and infernal revenue forms, charts, and baffling instructions.

Naturally, in New York every man and his brother seems to qualify as an expert. In the windows of the barber-shops, the delicatessen stores, the jewellers, and the stationers all down Lexington-avenue, and in the cross-town streets are large signs in red, white and blue: "Income tax consultant—come in and get fixed up."

There is a certain reckless hit-or-miss technique in collecting taxes here. A tremendous authority is given to the revenue clerk who happen to be allotted. My man was not too sure of the number of shillings in a £ or the number of pence in a shilling, and when it came to translating all this into dollars we got into a labyrinth. I was lucky to leave with my shirt on. Then there are the "hidden" taxes—sales taxes on everything you buy, luxury taxes of 20 percent, and toll taxes everywhere.

It would not be so bad if we knew that all were paying their share, but they are not. Hundreds of thousands cheat the Government. The racketeers and gamblers merely label their sources of income as "special services, sundry sources, facilities and sales speculations," and even put down such gigantic sums as 50,000 dollars (20,000 guineas) as "miscellaneous."

He's after them

SO there is to be a clean-up, a great reform. Into town has come an earnest, bespectacled Senator named Estes Kefauver and his crime investigating committee.

Kefauver, not averse to the headlines, says there is a giant empire of crime and corruption in the United States, and the gangsters are enjoying immunity from prosecution and punishment. Kefauver is here to ask the reason why.

We are all with the Senator and hope he squeezes the mobsters dry.

Only Texas does not seem particularly interested. Texas gets richer and richer and shrugs off the taxes as a mild irritation.

Today the town of Houston alone has more than 100 millionaires, some of them with tens of millions each.

There is a bizarre competition in philanthropy, with huge sums being donated to colleges, hospitals, old folks' homes, and dumb animals' institutions.

It would be better if the readers wrote to Texas, not to me, for various American goods.

Since I said I was coming back to England for a holiday I have received letters asking for nylons, food parcels, bathing costumes, lingerie, fountain-pens, radio batteries, and even typewriters. Well, I should like to help, but you know—taxes.

Along with these letters have come some offers to put me up as a guest in houses, cottages, villas, and river craft. My grateful thanks, but my plans are made.

Letter of the week came from a Mr Kenneth Luckman, of Lancaster-gate: "You deserve a sound thrashing, and I hope someone gives it you—I would thoroughly appreciate the opportunity." Mr Luckman tells me I am anti-British. Now I have been accused of everything.

Mainly, however, the letters have come from housewives.

It is the 'housewife here in America who writes the fan-mail—and to the politicians and big business men. Today almost all advertising of every kind is directed wholly or in very large proportion at women. Mom has become the mammoth power in the land.

Flowered hats

AT the moment she is trying on her Easter bonnet and dictating for the parade. The cost of Easter outfits is 15 percent higher than last year, but sales are up 21 percent.

The great Fifth-avenue stores are filled with women frantically buying flowered hats sprouting apple-blossoms, rose-leaves, violets, daisies, and every flower

that grows. The women carry bright gardens on their heads.

Polka dots, patent belts, and pert berets are popular, and the newest nylon colours are sundance and blueberry mauve.

In entertainment the news is that more American acts have been signed for London—Harvey Stone for the Palladium, Noble and King for the Berkeley, Gail Gail for the Palladium and the Saver, and Pearl Bailey for the Astor and Colony.

I am all for this Anglo-American teamwork! If our stars get similar opportunities here—when they don't always.

Advance information on two British films: "Happy Go Lovely," starring David Niven, is said to be the best British musical ever made, and "Tales of Hoffmann" is described as brilliant and unique.

Following the success of "All About Eve," there is talk about making a film "All About Eva"—Mme Peron, you know.

Channel swim

MADEIRA CARROLL, now in Spain, will fly back here for the Washington investigation into alleged Communist activity in Hollywood. She said before she left: "The only Red I've ever been close to is the Red Cross."

Esther Williams is to star in "Everybody Swims," a Technicolor film about an entire family attempting to swim the English Channel. It could be that the idea came from the Daily Mail Channel Swim. Miss Williams should try it this year.

Stewart Granger's popularity has become a prairie fire—bigger than the Robert Taylor and Van Johnsonvogues in the past, and approaching Gable's peak.

Hollywood says the strait and narrow would be wider if more people used it.

Footnote: The Four-Power meeting in Paris may not have produced a fresh new breeze, but at least it provided more than hot air.

NEW ROBOT ARM

SPLITS A
SINGLE
GERM...



THE woman doctor pictured here is using an ingenious new robot machine which can perform intricate surgical operations on living organisms less than one-thousandth of an inch long.

By manoeuvring the "joystick" — as a pilot works the joystick of an aeroplane — she can control the movements of a robot arm.

This arm manipulates with uncanny precision knives, hooks, and hair-thin syringes so small that they could fit into the eye of the finest needle.

It can cut open the most minute cancer cell and lay bare its internal structure. It can lift out a single disease germ from a teeming mass of millions.

At the Wright-Fleming Institute, London W.2, I saw how the machine is being brilliantly handled to consolidate the great victories against sickness made possible by Sir Alexander Fleming's discovery of penicillin there.

DR Vourekka fixed a miniature hypodermic needle in the robot arm and moved the joystick until she could see the needle's hollow point nosing near the "odd-man-out" germ.

With a quick press of the syringe in her left hand she trapped the germ in the needle. Then she squirted it into a drop of nutritious broth to see how it would behave in solitary confinement.

By experiments like this Dr Vourekka has found that such a freak, misshapen germ is really one of the dangerous disease germs "in disguise."

It had been only crippled by the drug given to the patient.

Such crippled germs are too weak to attack the body. But by keeping them in solitary confinement, Dr Vourekka has proved that they can revert to normal, eventually producing millions of offspring which may be fully virulent.

Germs are sexless. So an isolated individual can reproduce its kind.

This may explain why some patients, certified as free from disease germs, have relapsed.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



DOCTORS, examining them before discharge from hospital, may have mistaken the crippled germs for harmless types. These germs may then have hung on unnoticed in the body until they recovered strength to make the complaint flare up again.

Without the machine, which is known as a micro-manipulator, Dr Vourekka could not have made this important finding.

The machine was invented by a French scientist, Dr Pierre de Fontbrune at the Pasteur Institute. An American philanthropist, Mr Ben May, presented the machine to the British hospital so that the Greek doctor could make a discovery which may benefit the whole world.

(London Express Service)

HE SIMPLY COULDN'T STOP TALKING

THE thing about Hitler was not so much what he said or how he said it. It was the way, once he started talking, he went on and on.

Dr Paul Schmidt noticed it the first time he met him. And in his ensuing nine years of translating Hitler's garrulity to foreign potentates the impression was exhaustively confirmed.

Otherwise, Dr Schmidt now reports (in *Hitler's Interpreter*, published by Heinemann, 10s.), the Fuehrer's talk was not sensational.

"His phraseology was perfectly conventional. He expressed himself clearly and succinctly. He had no notes. But even at that first meeting—with Mr Anthony Eden and Sir John Simon in 1935—Hitler exhibited his mercurial temper. There was never any carpet-chewing, but—

"Almost without transition he would suddenly fly into a rage; his voice would become hoarse, he would roll his r's and clench his fists, while his eyes blazed."

A remark of Mr Eden's caused that, particular outburst. But then Mr Eden had the provoking habit of asking straight questions.

So, Dr Schmidt notes, had Molotov and Belgium's King Leopold. Neither were favourites with Hitler.

One of his disarming tricks was that of sudden and unexpected restraint. Schmidt saw it done during the Munich crisis of 1938.

Hitler and Chamberlain were in delicate negotiation. Peace and war were in the balance. Then came the dreaded news that the Czechs had mobilised.

In the horrified silence Hitler spoke quietly. Schmidt translated into English:

"Despite this unheard-of provocation, I shall, of course, keep my promise not to proceed

against Czechoslovakia during the course of negotiations—at any rate, Mr Chamberlain, so long as you remain on German soil."

That was one aspect of the paradox of Hitler's personality. He could be composed, yet he could be frenzied. Logical, yet unaccountable. Courteous, yet churlish. What he never seems to have been is relaxed.

The only foreign statesman over on comfortable terms with him, according to Schmidt, was Rumania's Marshal Antonescu.

Before their first meeting "he was drummed into him that he must not say a word against the award [of Rumania's Transylvania to Hungary]. He spoke for two hours about nothing else. "That always impressed me," Hitler frequently said.

Mussolini was never so contented. Hitler always out-talked him, overwhelmed him with the military statistics his mind stored so easily.

Henry Awbry

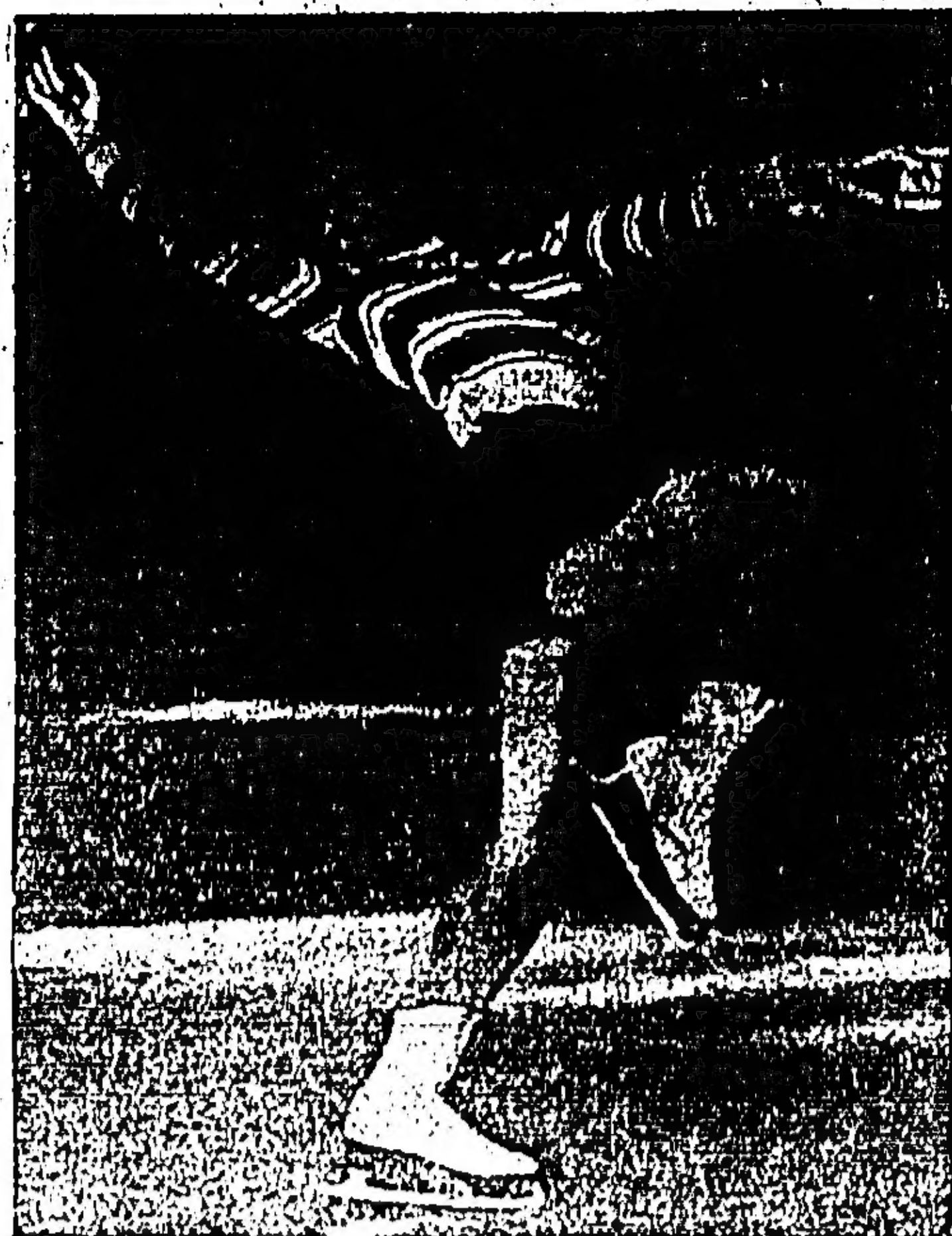
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HOW SHE DID IT



Jeannette Altwegg, four-time British Champion and current European titleholder, has added the 1951 world women's figure skating championship to her laurels in Milan, Italy. She put-skated 22 rivals from nine nations to win the crown.

The Dragons Have Finally Succeeded In Winning The Ernie Hearther Trophy

By "GRANDSTAND"

Clawing after the junior softball title for two years, the Dragops finally succeeded in annexing the Ernie Hearther Trophy, as they are now three clear games over the nearest opposition and have only one more game to complete before they finish the series.

The Blackhaws, who started out as favourites, disappointed fans when they dropped the first three decisions, while the Rexes, who have been chasing after the elusive-rainbow for three years, ended up in the ditch again, with only a single victory to their credit.

Perhaps the most popular team were the Delawares, who were not given much of a chance against the too-notchers in the minors, but nevertheless accounted for themselves well.

To make the playoff grade is an achievement, and all of the four teams should be proud of the fact, and with this recognition, they should be out on the ball field giving of their best.

DIFFERENCE OF OPINION. With the Rexes this apparently does not seem to be so, and their failure to turn out against the Dragons after they had lost all mathematical chances

has drawn nothing but condemnation from their supporters.

Apart from their duty to the fans and the Association, there is also an unwritten obligation on their part to make the eventual Champions earn the title the hard way, particularly with Harry Louie of the Dragons making a bid for the batting title as well.

While we do not doubt that Louie is in a class by himself as far as minor league slugging is concerned, there is always that possibility that he may not be up to form—an ailment which may befall any batter. We also

know Louie would have welcomed the chance to put the issue beyond doubt.

With only one more junior game to go before they hang up their gloves for the season, the race for the batting title is narrowed down to Louie and Delawares' Frankie Loureiro, the comparative figures being:

F. Louie	4	14	8	371
F. Loureiro	5	14	6	429

To put this into cold facts, it means that the position will be tied up if Louie goes through a game hitless while Loureiro makes two hits in four times at bat.

With the close of the official season fast approaching, there is talk of a summer league and it is understood that several teams have signified their intention of participating.

The Association, which controls all softball games in Hongkong, have not yet been approached officially, but we gathered from several sources that the Association would have no objection provided there would be sufficient volunteers to officiate at these games during the scorching months of July and August.

St. Mary's Wins Hospitals' Cup

London, Mar. 21. The following were the results of Rugby Union matches played today:

Hospitals' Cup Final
London Hospital 8, St. Mary's Hospital 9 (played at Richmond).

Other Match
Notts 5, Royal Air Force 3.—Reuter.

NOTICE

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Notice to Members

Australian Subscription Ponies 1952

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1952 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

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The Subscription List will close with SATURDAY, 31ST MARCH, 1951.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

"RAPIER" WEIGHS UP THE CHANCES AT THE VALLEY AT SATURDAY'S RACES

The Easter Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will start on Saturday at the Valley and will continue on Monday.

The first Saddling Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. both days, the first race starting at midday. The tiffin interval will be taken after the finish of the fourth race, and the first bell after tiffin will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The programme each day will consist of 12 events. Saturday's most important event is the Sassoon Challenge Cup while on Monday the Easter Handicap is the main attraction.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

Aplican Handicap (First Section): One Mile
The opening race on Saturday is confined to Australian Ponies Class 5 with Novice Jockeys as riders. In my estimation, the result will be decided between Thunderbolt (Mr Chuang), Hurricane (Mr Auchincloss), Easy-going (Mr Chun Kit) and The Stranger (Mr C. A. Lee).

Judging from its last outing when it won the Old Course Handicap on the first day of the Annual Race Meeting, Thunderbolt is my choice and I think it should win again with Hurricane and Easy-going as the main opposition.

I would, however, recommend keeping The Stranger in mind as this pony is fighting fit at the moment and may possibly create an upset.

SECOND RACE

Tai Hang Handicap (First Section): From 1 1/4 Mile Post
Looking over the entries for this sprint event, Topper (Mr Ostroumoff), winner of the Pottinger Gap Handicap (First Section) over six furlongs at the Third Race Meeting, seems to be the best bet for a win.

The danger, of course, is Desire (Mr Kwok) which was officially fourth in the above race and should not be ignored over this distance.

Then there is Lana (Mr Chen Foo), but this pony has disappointed many times that I am not too confident regarding its ability to beat the two above-mentioned ponies. Harmony (Mr Maitland) is another good pony to watch.

THIRD RACE

Shamshulpo Handicap (First Section): 1 1/4 Miles
This race will be contested by Australian Ponies Class 9. Among the ponies entered, I don't think we need look further than Wonderful Girl (Mr Renfrew), Rifle (Mr Chiu), Ironside (Mr Ostroumoff) and Speed Wheel (Mr Chuang).

In the Encouragement Handicap (First Section) over the mile, on the second day of the Annual Race Meeting, Wonderful Girl came second.

As Saturday's event is longer by a quarter of a mile, coupled with its fine form at the moment during morning training, it should be strongly fancied to win.

There is, of course, Rifle to be considered. This pony came third in the Sassoon Challenge Cup and as it is quite at home over this distance, I expect to see it fairly near at the finish.

Ironside and Speed Wheel have been showing improved form lately in morning training and should give a good account of themselves against the above two ponies.

FOURTH RACE

Mongkok Handicap: From 2 Mile Post
This race is for Australian Ponies of 1951. Winners and Ponies that have won less than \$1,000 in stakes barred.

Merry Uncle (Mr Holgate), by virtue of its second placing in the Leighton Hill Stakes (Fourth Section) over the mile at the last day of the Carnival will no doubt be in big demand.

I, however, prefer Dynamic View (Mr Pih), although it came in third in the above race, as this pony has been running quite well in morning gallops following the meeting Concord (Mr Maitland) should be in the running if it takes it into its head to run when the gate goes up, otherwise it may again prove a disappointment.

Jericho (Mr Kwok) and Calamity (Mr Ostroumoff) may have something to say with regard to the third position, but I don't think they can win.

FIFTH RACE

Salwanho Handicap (First Section): From 1 1/4 Mile Post
This is another sprint event in which Australian Ponies Class 7 will participate. A good start here will make all the difference between winning and losing, and I would suggest that a careful note be taken of the draw for position.

As a result of winning the Hongkong Handicap (First Section) from the two-mile post on the first day of the Annual Meeting for Novices, Route d'or (Mr Boycott) has been penalised by 6 lbs, but even at 159 lbs it has still a chance of repeating its previous success.

Sans Atout (Mr Renner) is, of course, the danger, and I expect to see it fighting out the finish.

Winged (Mr Renfrew) also ran well the last time out with Mr Barker, although unplaced. But over this distance it is capable of extending Route d'or and Sans Atout.

SIXTH RACE

Shaukiwan Handicap: From 2 Mile Post
In this race for Australian Ponies Class 2, I don't think it is necessary to look further than Ben More (Mr D. Black) for the likely winner.

It will be called upon to carry 147 lbs, but due to the shorter distance, and the fact that it came third in the P. & O. Cup over the Champion distance on the second day of the Annual Meeting, I honestly believe that this pony is capable of shouldering the extra weight and winning.

Prestwood (Mr Holgate), which was fourth in this same race, may just about secure second place.

A keen struggle should ensue between Alaman (Mr Renner) and Golden Dragon (Mr Shieh).

SEVENTH RACE
Shamshulpo Handicap (Second Section): 1 1/4 Miles
Second Section: Australian Ponies Class 9. This race will be contested by ponies which have won less than \$1,000 in stakes. It looks as if the finish will be fought out between Hot Pollot (Mr G. S. S. Woo), Stirling Castle (Mr Maitland), Norse Lady (Mr Chuang) and Midnight Express (Mr Tao).

Hot Pollot will undoubtedly be made hot favourite and on form it should certainly have no difficulty in winning.

Stirling Castle should fill second place. For the third position, I think Norse Lady is the choice, leaving Midnight Express as the outsider capable of creating an upset.

EIGHTH RACE

Salwanho Handicap (Second Section): From 1 1/4 Mile Post
Australian Ponies Class 7 will battle out the finish in this race and judging from its third placing in the Hongkong Handicap (First Section) at the Annual Meeting with Mr Tsai up, Jorrock, which will be taken out by Mr Renfrew, should command strong support in the betting. I think it should account for this race.

It may, however, meet with stern opposition from Dawn (Mr Nood), which is speedy over a short distance.

Bonnie Eyes (Mr Ostroumoff), is running well during morning training and should be considered.

Then there is Radiotron (Mr Boycott), which is very fit at the moment, to give the other three a good fight.

Trade Wind (Mr T. L. Wong) and Southeast Wind (Mr Maitland) are also dangerous and must not be overlooked.

NINTH RACE

Sassoon Challenge Cup: 1 1/4 Miles
This is the main event of the first day and is confined to Australian ponies of any age. Weight 147 lbs. Ponies to be ridden by Riders approved by the Stewards.

After its magnificent run in the Hongkong Autumn Champions at the 13th Race Meeting on December 18, 1950, when it equaled the record of 2.10.3/5 held by Strathroy since 1937, there is not a shadow of a doubt that Skymaster will win this race for the third year in succession, unless something out of the ordinary happens.

Bashful Beauty (Mr Kwok) should have no difficulty in taking second place. For the third position Panda (Mr Renfrew) and High Speed (Mr Ostroumoff) should fight out the issue.

TENTH RACE

Matawai Stakes: Six Furlongs
This race is for class 10 Australian Ponies, weight 147 lbs. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes since January 1, 1951. Limit to penalty: 12 lb.

Harvard (Mr Tseng) has been given top weight of 159 lbs, and on that account alone, I am going to rule it out of my reckoning.

Happy Boy (Mr Renfrew) has been showing good form lately, and, as the distance is more to its liking, I think it will win.

I was quite impressed with the appearance of Fearless Witness at its last outing when it came up strong to take third place in the Trial Stakes, and as it will again be taken out by Mr Renner it should prove dangerous.

The other ponies to watch are Estrada (Mr Kwok), Fat Choy (Mr Nood) and Jelfire (Mr Liu).

ELEVENTH RACE

Aplican Handicap (Second Section): One Mile
The second batch of Class 5 Australian ponies will fight out the issue in this race and I think the following will be prominent at the finish: Battifield (Mr Holgate), The Tigress (Mr Renfrew), Honey Dew (Mr Vong) and Sparkling Eyes (Mr Shieh).

With Battifield, Mr Holgate has a great opportunity of winning this race, but he expects strong opposition from the Tigress or Honey Dew, both of which are capable of giving him a good fight.

Sparkling Eyes is also considered good enough to extend its lead over the other two named above. I expect to see the finish in the following order: Battifield, The Tigress and Honey Dew.

TWELFTH RACE

Tai Hang Handicap (Second Section): From 1 1/4 Mile Post
The last race of the day is another sprint event for the second section of Class 4 Australian ponies. Googirl (Mr Kwok), recently demoted, is given top-weight of 159 lbs. I don't think the heavy burden will hamper its chances of winning (provided it can get off to a good start).

On the other hand, Lucky Strike (Mr Chuang) must not be overlooked in view of its fine gallop over six furlongs on March 17 when it completed the distance in 1.25.2 with a last quarter of 28.2 seconds.

Robin Hood (Mr Renfrew), although it has not lately been in the running, is quite likely to extend them as this pony has regained some of its old form in morning gallops, while Norse Lady (Mr Holgate) is another pony to watch as it is fast over sprint distances.

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"BENVENUE"	do	10th May
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Notice is hereby given that the Sixtieth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 11th day of April, 1951, at Noon, to transact the following business:

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1950, and the Auditor's Report thereon.

2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1950.

3. To elect Directors.

4. To appoint Auditors.

Closing of Transfer Books Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 28th March, 1951, to the 11th April, 1951, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

G. B. S. THOMSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1951.

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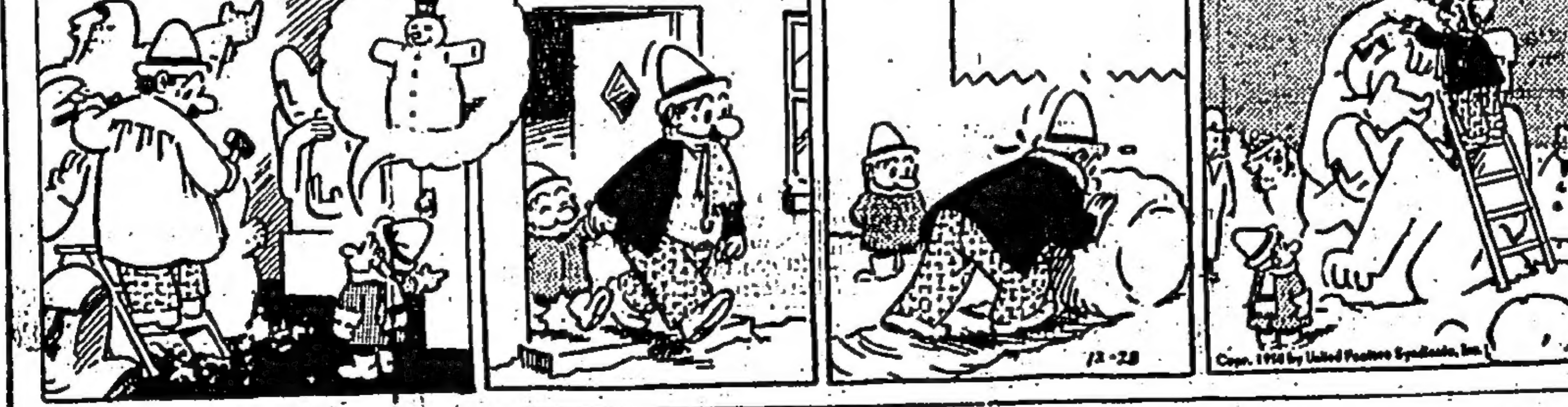
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S.S. "CANTHAGE"	2th June	10th July
S.S. "CORFU"	9th July	7th August

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



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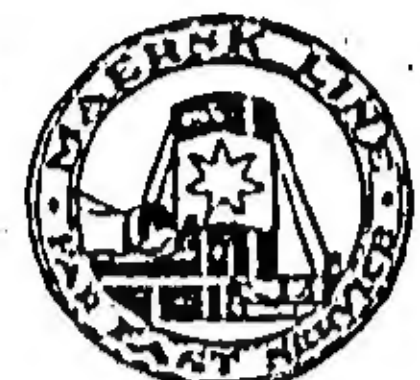
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Clothing Prices To Increase

New York, Mar. 21.
Max Unell Sons & Co., nationally-known clothing manufacturers, said today that a further rise in the retail price can be definitely expected.
The company said in an open letter to 5,000 retailers: "Since retail prices have lagged considerably behind the wholesale price increase, we can definitely expect a further rise in the retail price level with the introduction of new purchases and the establishment of prices on them."
"This is doubly true because further wholesale price increases cannot be avoided."
The letter said that the extent to which prices are held in line will depend primarily on the tightness of the price regulation to be written for manufacturers.—Associated Press.

Pepper Prices Harden

New York, Mar. 21.
Domestic pepper prices hardened in company with higher Indian cables. The firmness in the primary market was associated with uncertainty in the Indonesian political situation.
Local dealers quoted spot supplies at between \$1.57-1.58. Nearby steamed were also quoted at between \$1.57-1.58 and later steamed on parity with March shipment at 1.50 a pound. April shipment were indicated at 1.55 and May at between 1.53-1.54 a pound, on an ex-dock basis.—United Press.

Formosan Rice For Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 21.
The Ministry of International Trade and Industry today allocated an import quota of 30,000 tons of Formosan rice, valued at \$4,500,000.
Import circles believe that only 27,000 tons can be imported because of the rising price, now estimated at \$155 per ton, C.I.F.—United Press.

Exchanges In NY

New York, Mar. 21.
Closing foreign exchange:
Canada 95.50
Switzerland 23.15
Others unchanged.—Associated Press.

Winnipeg Wheat

New York, Mar. 21.
Winnipeg wheat was quoted today at 214 1/2.—United Press.

Steel King's Formula For Enterprise

New York, Mar. 21.
The head of United States Steel believes all enterprise should belong directly to the people.
Mr. Irving S. Olds, chairman of the board of U.S. Steel, writing in "The Exchange," magazine of the New York Stock Exchange, said:
"I believe that all enterprise should belong directly to the people, and I hope the day will come when every American family will purchase a share of American industry, however small or large that share may be."
"That, to me, is true public ownership, and I favour it just as ardently as I oppose Government ownership. Yet no one tells you that the two are the same. They are as far apart as the poles."

"Today, American enterprise does belong to the American people—to the people who have built it with their savings. I know of no other nation in the world where such vast industrial resources as ours are owned and controlled so extensively, and so directly, by the public."—Associated Press.

Slow Trade In Textiles

New York, Mar. 21.
The cotton textile market was slow today. Offerings, particularly in the resale market, increased and met buyer resistance in the lighter-weight constructions of print cloths.

The wool goods market was firm. Bidding on current military inquiries for goods was believed to be brisk. The civilian market was dull. Rayon goods were featureless.—Associated Press.

SALE OF SHIPS PREVENTED

Wellington, Mar. 21.
Prime Minister Sidney Holland said last night his Government had intervened to prevent sale of any ships in harbours here to the Chinese Communists.

He said that emergency powers to revoke said or transfer of ships of New Zealand registry were necessary in view of the international situation.—Associated Press.

Peking Wants Barter Plan

Tokyo, Mar. 21.
The Jiji Press said that trade circles here had received a cable suggesting that Communist China wants to barter 40,000 to 50,000 tons of Manchurian coke, coal for Japanese galvanised sheet iron and other goods. Other items which Red China wants include plate steel, wire materials and pipes, Jiji Press said.
China is said to be willing to offer iron ore, soya beans and salt if the coal barter is successful.

COTTON MARKETS STAGNANT

New York, Mar. 21.
Cotton futures trading today ebbed to the slowest pace since the market reopened 12 days ago. Pending the expiration of trading in current March delivery at noon on Friday, traders paid little more than routine interest to the crop news and other developments.
All old crop months held at 45.30, the ceiling price. New crop months backed and filled within a range of 15 points, responding to small orders either way.
Reports of price resistance in the cotton goods market encouraged some scattered selling by local professionals at the start but they moved back to cover again toward the close. Some technicians felt the setback in later positions due more to the lack of buying interest than any concentrated sellings.

The Census Bureau reported that domestic consumption of raw cotton during Feb. 19-23 totalled 894,002 bales. The trade had expected a figure around 910,000 bales. The market opened unchanged to 11 points lower and closed 8 to 10 points lower.
Prices closed today as follows:
Spot 45.30 nominal
March 45.30 bid
May 45.30 bid
July 45.30 bid
October 45.30 bid
December 45.30 bid
March (1952) 45.30 nominal
May 45.30 nominal
July 45.30 nominal
—United Press.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

Closing rate March 21.
Spot 44.91
March 45.30 bid
May 45.30 bid
July 45.30 bid
October 45.30 bid
December 45.30 bid
March (1952) 45.30 nominal
May 45.30 nominal
July 45.30 nominal
—United Press.

U.S. Market Holidays

New York, Mar. 21.
The New York Stock and Curb exchanges will be closed on Good Friday, March 23, and will also be closed on Monday, March 26. The Winnipeg Grain Exchange will close on Good Friday, but will be open on Saturday, March 24.
New York and New Orleans cotton markets will remain open both on Good Friday and the following day. The reason for this action is to provide ample time to liquidate open positions in the March 1951 contract, as the last trading day for the spot month will be March 23, Good Friday.
Other principal commodity markets will close on Good Friday.
The London and Canadian Stock Exchanges will be closed from Thursday night through Monday, March 26. The Winnipeg Grain Exchange will close on Good Friday, but will be open on Saturday, March 24.—Associated Press.

The tin market was fairly steady at the morning session. Turnover was 130 tons, including 15 tons for spot.
Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:
Spot tin, buyers 1,500
Spot tin, sellers 1,510
Business done at 1,500-1,510
Three-month tin, buyers 1,500
Three-month tin, sellers 1,510
Business done at 1,500-1,510
Settlement 1,500
—United Press.

TIN MARKET STEADINESS

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—United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Mar. 21.
Domestic sugar futures No. 16 closed unchanged to three higher.
May 5.40 bid
July 5.32
September 5.00
World sugar futures No. 16 closed unchanged to two higher.
May 5.48 bid
July 5.30
September 5.00
Raw sugar spot, 5.05 nominal.—Associated Press.

Empire Preference Reduction Plans To Be Attacked

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Mar. 21.
An attack designed to counter the proposals for reducing Empire Preference is to be launched in Torquay, current home of the trade and tariff talks, on March 30.

Organisers are the Empire Industries Association and the British Empire League, who last year assisted the colonial sugar producers in their attempts to secure new contracts with the British Government.

A mass rally has been planned and a resolution denouncing any attempt to reduce Empire Preferences as an attack on the Empire economy will be put forward by Lord Balfour of Incheyre. He is the newly-elected Chairman of the Empire Industries Association.
Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, Chairman of the Conservative Party Imperial Affairs Committee, is another who will be speaking on behalf of Empire producers.
"I believe the best way of progress for all of us lies along the line of Empire development," he told me today.
"We decided the best place to express this point of view was Torquay, where trade and tariff conferences have been taking place."

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U.S. LABOUR LEADERS IN ARMS

Washington, Mar. 22.
Labour union leaders today denounced the Government's price controls as a fraud, and demanded top policy posts for labour in the defence mobilisation programme.
They urged the "plain people" to back their campaign to get the programme out of the hands of "Wall Street," where they said it had been lodged.
Labour's criticism of mobilisation and control policies was voiced at a mass meeting of the American Federation of Labour, Congress of Industrial Organizations and Rail Union officials. The AFL president, William Green, and the Secretary-Treasurer, George Meany, prefaced their speeches with appeals for labour unity.

They got no reaction from the CIO president, Philip Murray, and the CIO secretary, but Walter Reuther, president of the CIO United Auto Workers, said the call was "significant" because it might unite the labour movement.
Murray and Green said all workers should be concerned with labour's grievances against mobilisation officials.—United Press.

Commercial Interest Rate Increased

New York, Mar. 21.
Commercial paper interest rates were increased one-eighth of a percentage point today.
The new rates are two per cent to two and one-fourth per cent. They had been one and seven-eighths per cent to two and one-eighth per cent to where they had moved in January from the December level of one and five-eighths per cent to one and three-fourth per cent.

The increase follows a recent boost of one-eighth per cent in bankers' acceptance rates and the establishment of a free market in Government securities with the withdrawal of the Federal Reserve Board from Government bond support buying.
Commercial paper is the technical term in the money lending market for unsecured loans made to leading business firms.—Associated Press.

Copper Import Duty To Be Suspended

Washington, Mar. 21.
The U.S. House of Representatives today approved unanimously a bill to suspend the copper import duty from next April 1 to Feb. 15, 1953.
The measure provides that the tax may be reimposed if the domestic price of copper should drop below 24 cents a pound.—Associated Press.

NEW YORK BANK QUOTATIONS

New York, Mar. 21.
Closing bank quotations:
20% asked
Chase National 59 1/2 bid
41% asked
National City 40% bid
51% asked.—Associated Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

Business on the Stock Exchange during the morning totalled \$133,480. Noon rates were as follows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
HANKS
HS Bank HKD 1270 40 0 1320
LANE
INSURANCES
Union 200 25 0 240
Underwriters 500 30 0 700

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Docks, etc. 700 500 0 700
K. Wharf 500 500 0 500
Dock 100 100 0 100
Provident 100 100 0 100
Wheelock 200 200 0 200

LAND, ETC.
HK Hotel HKD 5.50 200 0 5.40
Hampshire 7 1/2

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Tram HKD 11.50 11 1/2 500 0 11 1/2
C. Light 5.75 5 3/4 500 0 5.75
Electric 5.20 5 00 0 5.20

INDUSTRIALS
Hose HKD 10.25 500 0 10 1/4
Rope HKD 11 1/2

STORES, ETC.
Dairy 13 1/2 200 0 13
Dairy (N) 12 12 1/2 500 0 12 1/2
Watson HKD 10 500 0 10
COTTONS
Ewo 2.00

Extension Of Pact Group's Scope Urged

London, Mar. 21.
Mr. Anthony Eden, the deputy Opposition leader, urged the Government today to ensure that the Atlantic Pact Standing Group in Washington covered the whole world and not only the Atlantic.

The Combined Chiefs of Staff did this in the last war, he told the House of Commons.
The Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, replied that the Combined Chiefs of Staff consisted of British and American representatives only, whereas the Standing Group organisation was designed to cover a larger number of countries.

It might well be that the organisation would have to be extended still further. "But for the moment we are anxious to streamline the existing organisation and make it as thoroughly effective," he said.—Reuter.

Peking Turns Out Lethal Weapons

Korea, Mar. 21.
Chinese Communist munitions factories are producing almost exact copies of some of the world's most efficient automatic weapons, including Bren guns, Thompson sub-machine-guns and American M3-45-calibre sub-machine-guns commonly known as "grease guns."
South Korean troops who recently surprised and wiped out a Chinese Communist battalion near Hongcheon captured a haul of replicas.
An American ordnance officer who inspected the arms today said that they were almost perfect copies and would be nearly as efficient as their originals. He said: "They have been turned out in the last year or so and would be just about the most lethal set of weapons to copy."

With the machine-guns the South Koreans also found several boxes of Chinese-made bullets. Up until now the Chinese troops have used foreign ammunition almost exclusively.—Reuter.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local financial markets today at the following rates:
U.S. dollar (per £1) 6.91
Indonesian gulden (per 100) 6.91
Siam baht (per 100) 6.91
700 pence (per 100) 6.91

Buying Spirit Returns To Wall Street

New York, Mar. 21.
The buying spirit returned to the stock market today but it was not very impelling.
Prices ran up to more than two dollars a share among leaders, and losses were restricted to between one-half to a little more than one dollar a share. Gains were impressive when considered against the net losses of the past two days, but the volume of business was still held down sharply. Transfers were 1,310,000 shares.
Airlines headed the advance, and buying spread to rails, motors and some oils.

Among gainers were American Airlines, Sinclair Oil, United Airlines, Capital & Federal Airlines, Zenith Radio, Dow Chemical, Santa Fe and Consolidated Copper Mines.
Dow Jones averages:
Stocks 92.20
20 Industrials 249.37
15 Rails 82.30
10 Utilities 42.90
—Associated Press.

Liquidation In Rubber Futures

New York, Mar. 21.
Liquidation in the rubber futures market proceeded with 8 lots traded in March delivery. As the close, prices ruled 400 to 700 points higher. March delivery was sold higher at 78 cents a pound, up 700 points overnight and within 6 cents a pound of the O.P.S. ceiling price.
Open contracts in March at the start of trading totalled 37 lots. Dealings in spot month will expire at noon on March 28. The outstanding contracts in May and July futures must be liquidated under the Government order at the close of business on March 30.

Prices closed today as follows:
Spot 74.00
March 78.00 traded
May 85.00 bid
July 90.00 bid
—United Press.

SINGAPORE MARKET

Singapore, Mar. 21.
Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:
Number 1 rubber, per lb.
March 214-115
April 210-115
May 207-115
Number 2 rubber, March 204-300
Number 3 rubber, March 192-194
Number 4 rubber, March 180-182
Spot rubber, unbleached 217-219
Black crepe 123-125
No. 1 pale crepe 120-122
—United Press.

LONDON MARKET

London, Mar. 21.
Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:
Number 1 rubber in cents
per lb. 62 1/2-63 1/2
May 63-1/2
July 64-1/2
September 65-1/2
October/December 66-1/2
—United Press.

Grain Prices In Chicago

Chicago, Mar. 21.
Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:
Wheat—price per bushel.
Spot 2.44
March 2.41
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New York four per 100 lb. sack, \$13.10.—United Press.

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